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A pillar of the Minden community has passed away at age 74.

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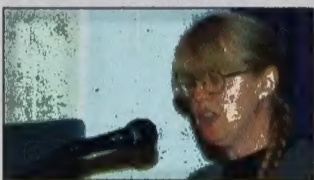
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Not cold enough

Hayley MacLean enjoys an ice cream at Kawartha Dairy in Minden on a less than enjoyable Monday. "Perfect day for ice cream," she said. "Goes with the snow we had on the lake." Photo by Casey Lessard.

Census forgets about Dorset

by BRYN WEESE
 Times Staff

Like a good Canadian, Chester Weinhold wants to be counted. But his efforts to get on this year's Census list have left him frustrated and angry.

"I've just given up," he said a few days after the deadline for returning Census forms. "I've done enough phoning."

Weinhold lives on Summit Drive, which is just off White Trout Drive, which is just off the Kawagama Lake Road. Granted it's eight kilometres from Dorset but he says the road is well maintained year-round and he travels it every day.

A month ago, a Census enumerator was supposed to have driven down his lane and left a Census form hanging on his door if they

didn't find him home. But Weinhold says neither he nor two of his neighbours on the road received the form.

The deadline for returning the form was last week and at first Weinhold was afraid he'd be charged for not filling one out. If he'd had access to the Internet, he would have been able to fill out the

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Minden Hills gears up for November election

by BRYN WEESE
 Times Staff

Slowly but surely, names of Minden Hills council hopefuls are beginning to appear on the township office door, indicating that, so far at least, this coming November's election will be fought between familiar faces and new ones.

To date, the list of candidates who have filed nomination papers are:

Jim McMahon is, so far, the only candidate running for reeve. Although he currently serves as the reeve of Minden Hills, this will be McMahon's first battle for the position at the polls. He was voted in as reeve by council this past fall following former reeve Ross Rigney's retirement from municipal politics.

Likewise, **Cheryl Murdoch** is running for deputy reeve for her first time, despite currently serving the post at Minden Hills council. If re-elected, this coming municipal term would be Murdoch's second. Prior to replacing Jim McMahon as deputy-reeve in the fall shuffle, the long-time school board trustee served as Minden Hills' Councillor at Large.

That post, Councillor at Large, is being sought after by **Peter Oyler**, who like Murdoch and McMahon, assumed a new role at council following Rigney's retirement. Before being voted in as Councillor at Large by Minden Hills council in the fall of 2005, Oyler served as one of the two councillors for Ward 1.

Ward 1 councillor **Clayton Cameron** is seeking re-election in his current post. Previously, Cameron had worked for the township of Anson, Hindon and Minden

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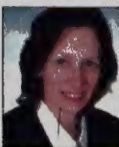
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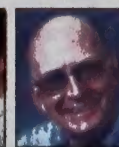
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Founder of Jug City worked hard for Minden

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

A man who left an indelible print on Minden passed away last Wednesday afternoon.

Not only was Ray Moore a businessman and politician but his belief in giving back to his community was passed on to his eight children, many of whom are carrying on his legacy in Haliburton County today.

Moore and his family founded the Westside Jug City variety store chain, which eventually had outlets in Minden, Carnarvon and Haliburton. When the family moved to Minden in the mid-1980s, the chain's office moved with them. (The family has since sold the chain.)

In 1988, Moore entered local politics by running for reeve. He had been in politics in Gravenhurst and was critical of the way Anson, Hindon and Minden council was slowly reacting to the Ministry of Natural Resources' new flood plain mapping policy.

He created a stir from day one when he beat long-time

local politician Sinc Nesbitt in the race for the reeve's chair. Two of his campaign pledges were a second bridge over the Gull River and the extension of the downtown BIA to the Highway 35 bypass.

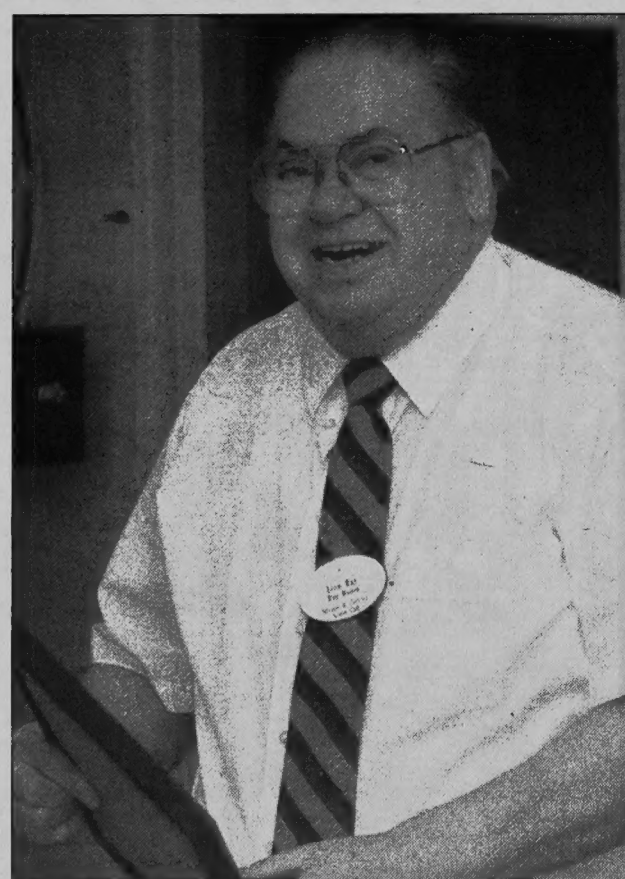
Development was always a big issue for Moore, who was intent in his desire to help the town grow and prosper.

His term in office was sometimes turbulent, complicated even further still when he suffered a heart attack while vacationing in Florida.

In 1991 he ran for reeve again but was defeated by Bern Berry.

Moore remained in the community, focusing on his business interests, his family and the Lions Club, of which he was a very active and dedicated member. He and his wife of 56 years, Gloria, enjoyed a full and active retirement together. He died Wednesday after returning home from a trip to Casino Rama with his wife.

Funeral services were last week in Minden. There is an obituary in this week's classifieds.



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Lions' offer to skateboard park leaves only insurance hurdle

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The Kinmount Lions Club is about to do what the City of Kawartha Lakes, with all of its resources, could not. And that is to bring joy, physical fitness and wholesome entertainment to Kinmount's youth with the acquisition and development of a sports park.

The Kinmount Lions are planning a sports complex on land, currently held privately, in Kinmount that will house two baseball diamonds, a soccer field, a running track, basketball courts, and ultimately an arena — and whatever else the service club can think of within the sport park's boundaries.

The Lions Club has yet to actually purchase the property, located near the Kinmount Theatre, but the owner has tentatively agreed to sell to the Lions.

"It will be a place where the kids can go and have some fun and it's something the community probably needs right now," says Kinmount and District Lions Club President Dave Anderson. "It's someplace where they can go and hang out instead of being on the main street."

"Hopefully this will come to pass, so we're just keeping our fingers crossed and hoping that we get the land," he adds.

Adding another dimension to the park, and another level of joy to the community, the Kinmount Lions have also agreed to house the Shawn Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park within its future park limits.

The announcement, made a few weeks ago at a skateboard park fundraising dinner, has elated the committee members, in particular the chairperson Lynne Kilby.

"We weren't making too much progress with the City of Kawartha Lakes," she says, adding that it was becoming increasingly obvious that finding a home for the concrete skateboard park was proving difficult. Then, a former president of the Kinmount Lions Club, Greg Parrot, who has been involved with the skateboard park committee, mentioned the idea at a Lions Club meeting. The rest is history.

"It's unbelievable really," Kilby says. "We feel like it's too good to be true. We keep thinking 'What's going to happen?'"

Kilby adds that with a home for the park, much needed government grant monies to help pay for the nearly \$250,000 project, will be more accessible to the skateboard park committee, maybe even from the City of

Kawartha Lakes itself. Previously, without a firm commitment about where the park would be located, the numerous grants available for such projects were unattainable because of criteria requirements. When the Lions Club owns the property, the grant application process will be thrust into high speed.

"Once they actually own the property, then we can say 'Yes, we have a location,' and we can go for the grants," Kilby says. "Right now, even though it's all in the plan and intended, the government is not going to give you thousands of dollars for something that is not concrete. They'll give you money once it's a done deal."

However, while the skateboard park's committee is celebrating the Lions Club and their generous offer, they know that major obstacles still lay ahead.

Chiefly among them, assuming that grant money will be made available for the construction of the project, is that the Lions Club's insurance policy will not cover the skateboard park.

"This is another obstacle that we have to get some more research on and see what we can come up with," Kilby says about the pending insurance woes. "We know that there is a way [to see the park finished], but we just don't know what it is yet, and we have to do a little more looking into it."

Kilby says that, with a home for the park now in the works, going back to city council for money for insurance is an option, as are many others that the committee has yet to explore. Even corporate backers within the community could be an option, Kilby says.

But covering the insurance costs won't be cheap. Several years ago, Kilby and her team were told to expect annual costs in the neighbourhood of more than \$10,000 to insure the park against liability as well as damage.

That figure, Kilby guesses, has probably increased since then.

Also, because the skateboard park will not be on land owned by the City of Kawartha Lakes, it will be difficult, if at all possible, to have the city insure the skateboard park.

Insurance aside, for now, Kilby and her committee are still celebrating the fact that their project now has a home thanks to the Kinmount Lions Club.

The skateboard park committee continues to meet regularly. Currently, the committee is planning a car wash/BBQ/yard sale in early- to mid-June.



Victoria Day golf

Doug Brown, top, tees off as Michael McGee and Gord Wood watch during a round at Beaverbrook Golf Course in Minden Monday. The three are among a group of golfers who golf Mondays at a different course each week. "It's convenient," Brown said of Beaverbrook. "It's in town."

At top right Michael McGee tees off. "It's beautiful," McGee said of the cool, cloudy weather. "It's great. It's not so cold."

At right, the trio heads off for their next shot.

Photos by Casey Lessard

Believe in your dreams, author tells students

by JENNIFER WILSON
Times Staff

Author Mel Malton read a short selection from her latest children's book to a captivated audience of Gr. 3, 4 and 5 students last week at Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

Malton advised the eager students that writing isn't as intimidating or difficult as some may perceive. It just entails "a lot of

persistence, imagination and creativity."

"All writing involves is putting one word after another. Anyone that puts their mind to it can write."

She did, however, tell the students that getting your work published isn't quite as simple as putting your pen to paper.

In fact, rejection is often the name of the game when trying to make your work public but it's important to stay focused and determined.

"My first novel was rejected 17 times before I got it published. You just have to keep trying, believe in your story, and not give up."

When asked what the best part of being a writer was, Malton told the students they're many, but a definite perk is "being able to stay in my pajamas all day while I type at my computer."

Malton, who was inspired to write in elementary school when an author spoke to her class, says she hopes by her speaking to young students, they too can be encouraged to pursue the "not-so-common jobs" like being an author.

"There are a whole bunch of professions kids never think they can be. I want to give kids a chance to understand that real people write books and they can do it, too."

Malton, who lives in Bracebridge, has written four fictional novels including *Dead Cow in Aisle Three*, *Cue the Dead Guy*, *Down in the Dumps* and *One Large Coffin to Go*.

She was participating in the Minden Hills Cultural Centre's Writer-in-Residence program.



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Children's book author Mel Malton read selections from her novels to a captivated audience at ASES.



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Riverwalk takes a few more steps

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

With the Minden BIA thriving once more, there has never been more talk about Riverwalk among Minden's business elite. While many of the plans to create a level pathway and park along the banks of the Gull River are not yet apparent, there are some major Riverwalk developments planned for 2006.

In this year's budget, Minden Hills council set aside \$10,000 to create a level, asphalt pathway down the north bank of the Gull River as well as install hydro down the length of the park for lights, when finances allow.

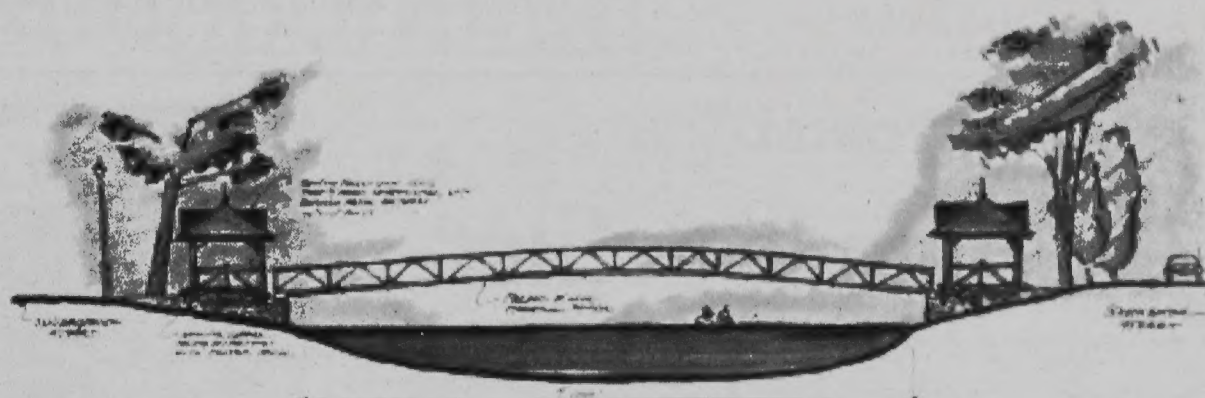
In addition, Minden Hills council also gave \$10,000 to Ray Miscio, the township's park manager, for shoreline erosion protection and repair work on the same side of the Gull. Considering that a new shoreline will inevitably add to the aesthetics and usability of the park, Riverwalk is receiving a hefty financial boost this year.

With or without the funds from council, changes have already begun on the river. Most notable will Andy Hillo's sculpture, "When men were machines." Despite a delay in its construction, the huge lumberjack will stand proudly on a series of logs while poling them farther along the river. It is hoped, says Minden Hills deputy clerk, Laura Cunliffe, who sits on the Riverwalk committee, that the statue, partially paid for by the Minden Rotary Club, will be done soon, certainly before Canada Day.

The asphalt pathway being planned for this year will get its start from the Kinsmen Club of Minden, who have donated \$5,000 to the project previously to commemorate the club's 50th anniversary in town. Their funds will be used to lay the first section of level path from the Bobcaygeon Street bridge down to the statue.

To date, the Riverwalk committee is made up of four individuals: Laura Cunliffe, Kate Hall, Roy Haig and Laurie Carmount. Perhaps because they are only four, or perhaps because they all wear so many hats, says Cunliffe, the Riverwalk project has not developed as quickly as some would like. In fact, since the completion

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in 2004 of the Riverwalk masterplan, a five- to 10-year timeline for the project's development, the project has fallen from the public eye, despite the fact that work has been ongoing, if in baby-step increments.

However, with the BIA now back from the brink, and with the work planned for 2006, Cunliffe says that the committee will grow as will the town's awareness of the project.

"The river is the jewel of Minden," she says. "This council is very much in favour of improving the down-

town core. [Minden Hills Deputy Reeve] Cheryl Murdoch has already agreed to join our committee. It's growing."

This year, the committee still has to raise between \$1,500 and \$2,000 to pay for the crushed gravel base to be installed underneath the asphalt pathway.

Next year's project will include more pathways down the north bank of the Gull River and a pedestrian bridge upstream from Bobcaygeon linking the two level pathways.

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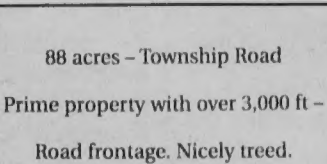
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Come together

KINMOUNT IS AN AMAZING COMMUNITY as evidenced by the fair, the Christmas tree lighting, the medical facility, the skateboard park initiative and the Lions Club sports park. Rarely in such a small town (no offence) has the passion, commitment and dedication of the members of the community accomplished so much with so little.

But don't stop now.

After being shooed away from the Austin sawmill park, denied use of the former municipal building as a home and receiving no help from the City of Kawartha Lakes to find other suitable lands, the Shawn Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park came crashing to a halt with nowhere to go, and therefore, no way to access grant monies from any or all levels of government to build their park somewhere, anywhere.

Then along came the Lions Club who offered the skateboard park a home. At long last, the wheels are again in motion to not only honour the life of a young man tragically killed before his time, but also to offer the youth of Kinmount something to do in their spare time, in his name. It is disgraceful that the skateboard park committee has faced so many barricades in the past.

And yet still some major ones remain, chiefly, insurance.

There are some people in Kinmount who believe that skateboarding leads to delinquency. They would no doubt prefer children to be in church social groups on Friday night or doing their homework like good boys and girls. Those same individuals, no doubt, would like today's youth to listen to wholesome music, possibly even spiritual, instead of the racket they fill their heads with these days. Yes, the subversive opposition to the skateboard park is indicative that some people don't want skateboarding in Kinmount – not on the streets and not in a park. Those people are wrong and attitudes like that will kill a town like Kinmount as younger generations continue to leave, never to look back.

Delinquency is the result of having nothing to do, not skateboarding. Those who do not support the skateboard park initiative are living in the past and hoping with bated breath for a by-gone era to return. And it never will. The skateboard park, in conjunction with the Lions Club sports complex, is exactly what the town needs.

But the Lions Club can only do so much. They cannot or will not insure the skateboard park from liability and damage. They have given it a home, and that is more than anyone else has done for the skateboard park. Someone else must now pick up the torch. Unfortunately, the local government will provide no help.

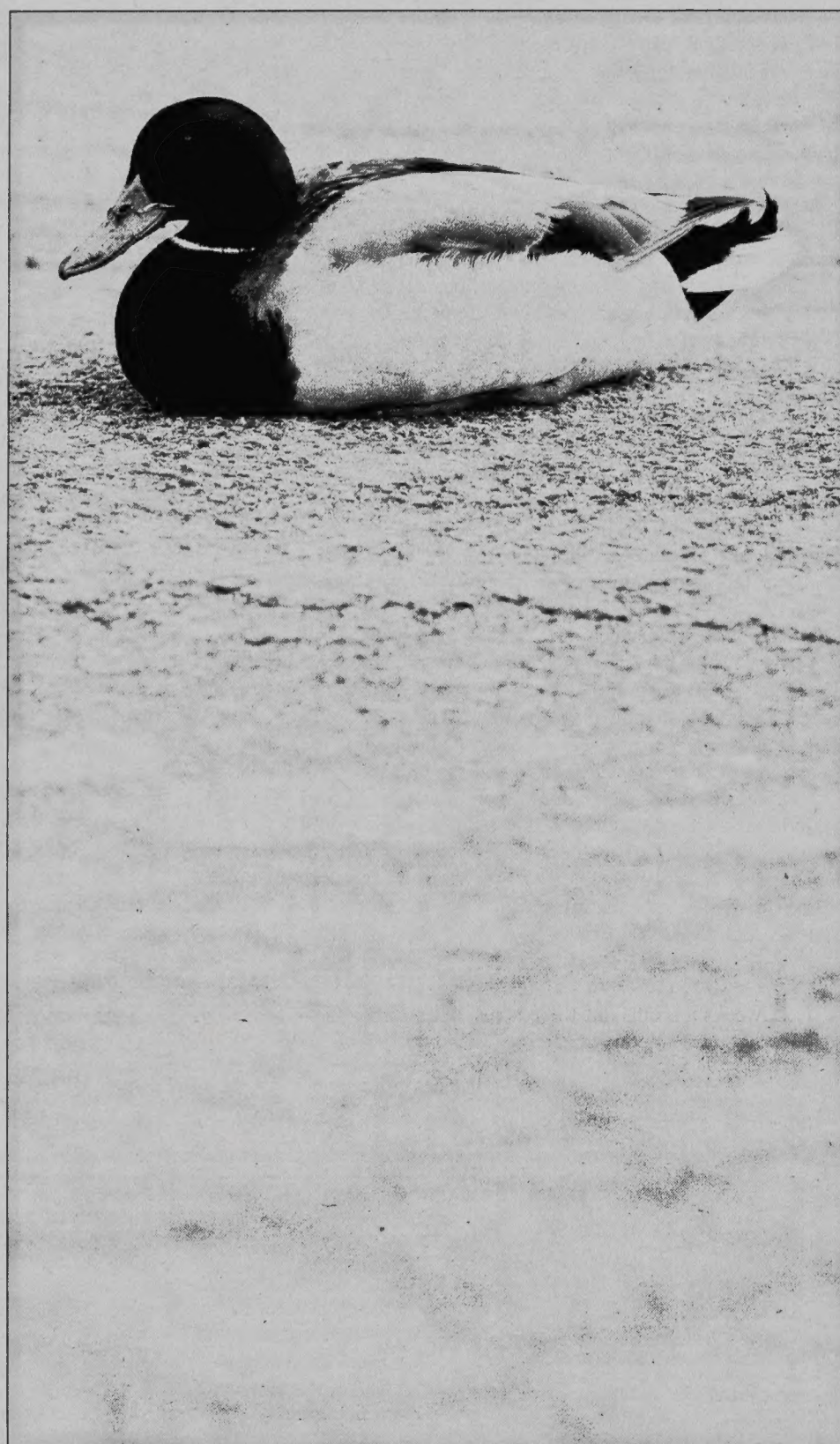
A perilous consequence of amalgamations such as Kawartha Lakes is that small towns like Kinmount get ignored and monies are unevenly spent on larger, more urban areas like Lindsay where more voters can see the result of spending programs.

So, despite the support of several councillors and even the mayor, the City of Kawartha Lakes will do nothing to help, and financial support in the form of insurance money is left to the residents of Kinmount, that noble and proud people who have come together on so many previous occasions to do for themselves what others would not.

Assuming that the Shawn Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park Committee can raise, through grant money and spaghetti dinners and car washes and yard sales, the \$250,000 needed to build the park, the Kinmount community still needs to pony up the \$10,000 a year for insurance.

Come together right now and do for yourselves and your community what the City of Kawartha Lakes should do but won't. Help the Lions Club sports park and the Shawn Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park become a reality so that the youth of Kinmount have something to do, someplace to go, and somewhere to be themselves and enjoy the town.

-Bryn Weese



IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Duck crossing.

Photo by Casey Lessard.

MPP gets tough on big rigs

Local MPP Laurie Scott, who is the Progressive Conservative environment critic, has introduced a Private Member's Bill designed to reduce pollution from trucks operating in Ontario by mandating the activation of speed limiters on all large commercial vehicles.

The bill amends the Highway Traffic Act by requiring all trucks manufactured after 1995 to have their electronic engine speed limit set at a maximum speed of 105 kilometers per hour.

The idea of using the technology which exists in every modern truck to limit speeds in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, enhance road safety, and reduce the consumption of increasingly scarce fossil fuels was first suggested by the Ontario trucking industry itself. At the Ontario Trucking Association's annual general meeting last November, they requested that the Ontario Government

bring in legislation making the use speed governors mandatory.

The concept of requiring the use of speed limiters on big rigs has been endorsed by a wide range of other stakeholders including Pollution Probe, CAA Ontario, Canada Safety Council, Fleet Challenge, Traffic Injury Research Foundation, Transportation Health & Safety Association of Ontario, The Lung Association, all provincial trucking associations across Canada and the Canadian Trucking Alliance, and the Ontario Safety League.

"This Bill is a great example of the environmental community working together with the transportation industry to produce a great piece of legislation that enhances the safety of Ontario roads and highways while reducing harmful emissions," says Scott.

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Lost opportunities

I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED that when opportunity knocks a fellow ought to answer the door. Or, if a good television show is on, ask the wife or kids to see who it is. And that's why I feel so badly that I almost dropped the ball on my latest chance at fame and fortune. Well, mostly fortune.

I guess I can talk about it now but, trust me, it's just a bit embarrassing. You see, a while ago, this prominent banker from Namibia e-mailed me in strict confidentiality and asked me to act as an intermediary in the transferral of his government's secret amassed wealth after an unfriendly coup deposed them. Please, don't tell anybody.

The point is if I agreed to help, they'd transfer a princely sum of several hundred million dollars into my holding account while the necessary arrangements were made to move it to a permanent Swiss bank account where it would be kept for his downtrodden people and used to reinstate the legitimate government when the time was ripe. My reward for being such a good egg would have

been a few million dollars in US funds - which, believe me, is a far sight more than I get for this column.

Now a lot of people would be sceptical about such easy money, and so was I until Mr. Nububububu explained it in his email. You see, he confided that a trusted mutual acquaintance of ours suggested that I was a reliable and honourable man; someone who could be trusted implicitly with the fate of his people. And that's why, if I provided him with my VISA card number or called a secret 1-900 number we could get this whole show on the road. I could help him out and he could show his gratitude by tipping me several million dollars. More than that, his fledgling democracy would be eternally grateful, probably even erect a statue of me once they reclaim power and restore democracy.

Unfortunately though, I got all caught

up in trout season and I let Mr.

Nububububu down. My bad. In fact, I

accidentally deleted his e-mail. Boy do I feel stupid now.

But, if you can believe it, this has not affected his faith in me one iota. Even though I was of little help to him and his poor deposed government in exile, he still thought enough of me to provide my name to several other African bankers dealing with the similar monetary issues. In the last month or two, I've received confidential e-mails from Mr. Walalalalala of Nigeria, Mr. Boola of the Sudan, and, most notably, Melvin Erwin

Hututu Esquire of the Pride Rock, whose most noble Lion King has been ousted by Colonel Scar, his evil uncle.

Each of these men, have begged for my services as a money launderer. Apparently, I've built up an international reputation.

As it is, I stand to make hundreds of

millions of dollars from these distinguished gentlemen and help restore democracy to Africa. The problem, however, is that this money has a chequered history and I too feel it would be better to have it laundered. That's why I'm about to email Mr. Nububububu and ask him if he could place these promised funds in a holding account for me - just until I learn to speak Swiss. Of course, like him, I'd need to see a VISA number to confirm that I'm not getting scammed. I wasn't born yesterday you know. In return though, he'll get a good cut.

I emailed him with this incredible offer about a week ago now and I'm relatively certain that he'll go for it. After all, as he said in his email, our mutual friend has vouched that I am a reliable and honourable man. I'd still like to know which fishing buddy helped me out here, by the way.

Anyhow, the strange thing is that I haven't had a response yet. There must be a good reason though. Does anyone know when the Namibian trout season starts?



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Coming to a forest near you

IF YOU ARE foolish enough to own a hardwood forest in Ontario, some weeks it seems like there is just one darned thing after another.

If it's not European buckthorn, it's Emerald ash borer. Or Asian long-horned beetle. Or garlic mustard.

Or earthworms.

Invading plants and insects seem to encircle us, tolling the knell of the landscape that we love.

Doom is us, it seems; except that life might not be that simple.

The latest neutron bomb in the environmental headlines is garlic mustard, which seems lethally equipped to displace everything from sugar maples to trilliums.

Garlic mustard is one of more than 4,500 alien species that have made themselves at home in North America. Brought here from Europe in the 19th Century for medical and culinary purposes, its heart-shaped leaves smell like garlic and its flowers are white, not yellow like our native mustards.

Scientists and naturalists agree that the plant's northern limit is still well south of our county line. Our list of experts includes Peter Schleifenbaum of Haliburton Forest, Gooderham ecologist Brent Wootten of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust and forester Eleanor Reed of Kirkfield.

Nobody can say for sure why it hasn't arrived here yet, but climate is our most likely protector. That's not much comfort in a time of global warming.

Naturalists to the south of us have been alarmed by garlic mustard's spread. In Niagara and along the north shore of Lake Erie, it elbows aside native plants, establishing its own monoculture.

Back in April, a team of researchers headed up by scientists from the University of Guelph and Harvard published a paper that explained garlic mustard's tactics and made headlines.

Most of our native forest plants are incapable of harvesting enough nutrients

from the soil on their own. They need the assistance of mycorrhizal fungi. These fungi send out long filaments that transfer nutrients from the soil to plant roots. The fungi get carbon from the plant in return.

It turns out that garlic mustard emits a chemical that fouls up the fungi-plant relationship. Garlic mustard does not need the fungi, so it takes over.

The researchers confirmed that theory by planting sugar maple, red maple and white ash seedlings in test plots of soil taken from forest sites in Waterloo County.

Seedlings in soil infested with garlic mustard grew at about one-tenth the rate of seedlings planted in uninfested plots. Simply adding extracts of garlic mustard to uninfested soil had the same effect.

That last sentence is especially troubling; remove the plants themselves and the chemicals they emit seem to linger on.

Nor are the plants easily eradicated; seeds can survive for many years to germinate. One naturalist took seven years of spraying and pulling and spraying to eliminate garlic mustard from a site near Orangeville.

An article by Liza Gross in the Public Library of Science on the fungi research says the plant is "poisoning the lifeblood of the woody competitors" and that its arrival "in an intact forest promises to have devastating impacts."

Not so fast, says York University biologist Dawn Bazely, an expert on invasive plants who has been keeping a close eye on garlic mustard for more than a decade.

In the first place, it doesn't colonize "intact" sites; it takes over in "disturbed" sites trampled by deer or humans or degraded by earthworms, which we will get to in a moment.

In the second place, native species and their fungi seem able to adapt and make a comeback. At Point Pelee on Lake Erie, the invasion started at land's end and advanced inland over the years.

Bazely says native plants, including hardwood seedlings, have made a full comeback at the oldest site, and the

native recovery seems to advance with the age of the other sites.

Scientists aren't allowed offer explanations until they can prove them, but there are no such limitations on columnists. Native mustard species, the scientists say, emit a chemical similar to that from the garlic mustard; an adaptation to a slightly different chemical from a close relative does not seem like a huge jump.

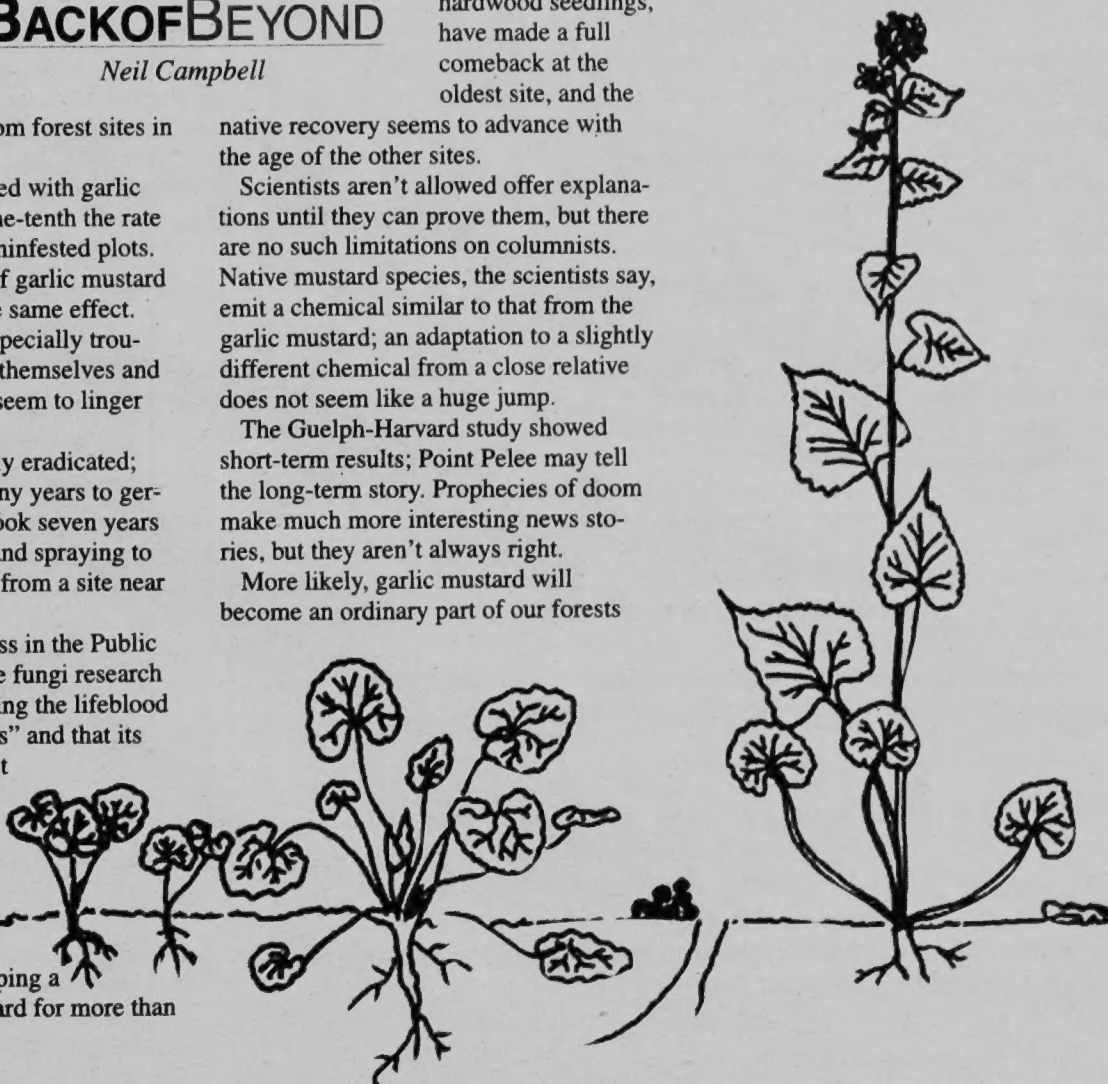
The Guelph-Harvard study showed short-term results; Point Pelee may tell the long-term story. Prophecies of doom make much more interesting news stories, but they aren't always right.

More likely, garlic mustard will become an ordinary part of our forests



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell



Municipal election in Minden Hills will be a mix of old and new faces

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and then, following amalgamation, Minden Hills as the Public Works Superintendent.

There are, however, two council positions from Ward 1, which encompasses the former municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden. **Ron Nesbitt** would also like to be a Ward 1 councillor. Nesbitt ran, unsuccessfully, in 2003 against Cheryl Murdoch for the Councillor at Large position.

Current Ward 3 Councillor **Ron Buchanan** will not be seeking re-election this year, having served in municipal politics for nine years.

Rick Ratcliff, who is running in a municipal election for the first time in Minden Hills, is seeking Buchanan's seat as Ward 3 Councillor. Currently, Ratcliff sits on council as one of two Ward 1 councillors, having been brought in to replace Oyler who moved up to the Councillor at Large position in the fall.

In Ward 2, the former township of Lutterworth, only one name has been filed to date but there will be another name on the list soon. Only one council position is available from Ward 2:

Barb Reid, a resident of Gull Lake and also the Gull Lake Cottagers' Association president, is making her attempt at municipal politics in Minden Hills, although she has met with council on numerous occasions, most recently about the boathouse issue in the recent zoning bylaw and the issue of pits and quarries operations in the township. She wants the seat held for the past six years by **Ingram Wessell**.

He has said that he plans to seek re-election as the Ward 2 councillor although he has not filed his nomination papers to date for the 2006 election. Previously, Wessell has served as a councillor in the former township of Lutterworth as well as one term as reeve in Laxton Township in Victoria County.

Anyone interested in running for Minden Hills council must file his or her nomination papers (along with the administrative filing fee: \$200 for reeve, \$100 for councillors) by September 29, 2006 with the township office.

For more information, contact Cheryl McCarroll, the township's clerk, at 286-1260 ext 214.

Algonquin Highlands to clean up abandoned property

by JENNIFER WILSON
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the May 18 meeting of the Algonquin Highlands council.

An abandoned and worn-down property near Oxtongue Lake is fast becoming a "major eyesore," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

The Oxtongue Lake Business Association brought the land, often referred to by locals as the "Wolf property," to council's attention. It's not known who owns the property, which was abandoned about 10 years ago.

"It's been going on long enough. It's time council take the appropriate action we have the legal right to take."

Before any demolition of the decrepit building can occur, council says a survey of the land is necessary because of the potentially hazardous underground gas pipes on the property.

"We need to ensure the whole procedure is done safely and properly," said CAO Lorne Mitchell.

Disabled parking bylaw

The county has asked municipalities to properly sign and maintain their disabled parking spots.

"This is something we need to take extremely, extremely seriously," Reeve Harrison informed council last Thursday.

The county's accessibility committee has also asked the parking bylaw be properly enforced and that those persons who aren't disabled and park in the spaces are charged

the appropriate \$300 fine.

"I think we need to move forward with this bylaw. We've been a little lax in the past, but we need to show a clear message that, as a county, we care and are willing to act and create new spots and properly sign pre-existing ones," said Reeve Harrison.

Resignation

Betty Tate sent council her resignation from the Oxtongue Community Centre Committee. Council accepted Mrs. Tate's submission with regret.

"We thank Mrs. Tate for her commitment and efforts," said Harrison.

Summer Council Dates

With many people starting to plan their summer vacations, council has decided to change their routine and meet only once per month in both July and August.

"Most staff are busier in these two months than any other time of the year," said Harrison.

The amended council dates are as follows: July 20 and August 17 with supplementary meetings would be called if they necessary.

Communications Tower

Bell Mobility is proposing to build a wireless communications tower that would allow for cell phone service in the Oxtongue area.

"If it's a permitted use of property, it behooves us to allow the process to go forward," said Reeve Harrison. "I don't feel at this point in time we should be taking any stand on the issue. I think we should wait to formulate any opinion until after a public meeting is held."

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Spring song

Bird enthusiasts will recognize this evening grosbeak. If you'd like to learn how to identify birds in your backyard, the Stewardship Council is hosting a special workshop at the Kinark Outdoors Centre this Friday. Call 286-5201.

Wait times coming down

New data show the Ontario government's Wait Times Strategy is resulting in decreases in wait times for key health services in the Central East Local Health Integration Network area, which includes Haliburton County.

"While we still have more work to do, the trends in the Central East LHIN area are encouraging with double-digits drops in wait times for a number of key health services," Health Minister George Smitherman said.

As a result of the government's Wait Times strategy, wait times in which 90 per cent of cases are completed in the Central East LHIN area have decreased significantly since August/September 2005 by:

- 21.6 per cent for hip replacement (86 days)
- 17.8 per cent for cancer surgery (16 days)
- 13.3 per cent for cataract surgery (43 days)
- 11.5 per cent for CT scans (seven days)

Wait times for other key health services have also declined by:

- 8.0 per cent for MRI scans (six days)
- 2.6 per cent for knee replacement (eight days)

Cancer surgery is also below the access target set by the government last December.

At the same time, Smitherman acknowledged one health service area that remains a challenge — there has been a 39.1 per cent increase in wait tie in angiography since August/September 2005.

"We continue to make significant investments in angiography and we expect to see improvements in wait times for angiography," Smitherman said.

Since the launch of the Wait Times Strategy, the Ontario government has invested \$27 million for additional procedures in hospitals in the Central East LHIN area, including:

- 5,400 cataract surgeries (\$4 million)
- 1,640 cardiac procedures (\$6 million)
- 1,540 hip and knee joint replacements (\$10.8 million)
- 1,030 cancer surgeries (\$4.3 million)
- 8,090 MRI (\$2 million).

The new wait time data is available at www.ontariowaittimes.com.

"More and more people in this area are seeing for themselves how the government's Wait Times Strategy is working," Central East LHIN Chair Foster Loucks said. "We're confident that the initiatives underway will continue to help people and health care providers in central east Ontario better manage their wait times and continue this overall general reduction of wait times."



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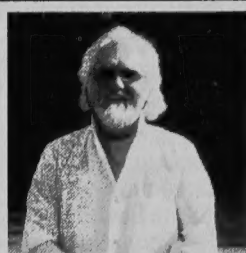
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The Board of Directors, the staff, children and families of **Five Counties Children's Centre** are pleased to announce the appointment of **Ms. K. Diane Pick, CHE**, as CEO of Five Counties Children's Centre.



Prior to joining Five Counties Children's Centre, Ms. Pick was the Executive Director of Lansdowne Children's Centre, in Brantford, Ontario for 9 years. She is actively involved with the Ontario Association for Children's Rehabilitation Services (OACRS), as well as taking a leadership role in children's services in Brantford. The Board of Directors, the staff and families of Five Counties Children's Centre welcome Ms. Pick and look forward to working collaboratively with the communities of Peterborough, Northumberland, Haliburton and the City of Kawartha Lakes to support children in realizing their potential.

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Spirituality and sustainability are linked, controversial theologian says

by JENNIFER WILSON
Times Staff

Matthew Fox, a controversial spiritual theologian, led a workshop entitled Creativity, Spirituality and Sustainability for a captivated audience of 70 last Monday at the West Guilford Community Centre.

The day kicked off with Carol Kilby, executive director of the Gaia Centre, which hosted the event, introducing Fox as a "prophet of human existence."

A former Catholic priest, Fox was silenced by the Vatican in 1989 and later dismissed from the Dominican order for refusing an order to relocate to Chicago.

He has since become the founder and president of the University of Wisdom in California and frequently travels to lecture on spirituality, mysticism and cosmology.

Fox began the morning by leading everyone into the middle of the room for a circle body prayer. He proceeded to tell the group to break into three circles and join hands as he started to lead the chant, "Earth I am, Fire I am, Water and Spirit I am."

Fox told the group that if the body prayer is completed properly, it's possible the spirits of dead loved ones and animals will make themselves present in the room.

Fox centred his speech on the "ecological and environmental crisis" currently facing the world. He says the



Spiritual theologian Matthew Fox teaches a group of 75 the 'body circle prayer' last week at the West Guilford Community Centre. Fox says it helps connect the 'imagination to the mind.' Fox, a Catholic priest until he was dismissed by the Dominican order, is now the founder and president of Wisdom University in California and travels the world lecturing on spirituality, creativity and environmental sustainability.

human species needs to move from consumerism and materialism to spirituality and connectivity with each other and the earth.

"We need spirituality when dealing with the sustainability and the survival of species. Twenty-five per cent of mammals are going extinct and 14 out of 17 fisheries are at risk of being fished out," says Fox.

"The last time anything like this happened was when the dinosaurs became extinct. Intelligence and technology are going to be our meteorite."

Fox blamed religion, in particular the "outdated and corrupt" Catholic Church, for society's current environmental crisis. He says people are being conditioned to think only "from the head up" and are failing to form relationships with the earth and the people around them.

"Once people get that we're living in a place that's over 14 billion years old, much older than religion, they might get some humility and realize such things as religious and institutional ego exist. When the Pope is buy-

ing his wardrobe from Prada, you know something is wrong."

Kilby says that Fox, a religious man, doesn't preach against God, but just the disconnected operations of many of today's churches.

"One over-riding belief is the Christian belief from the 11th to 13th Century that we can encounter god and sacred mystery in the entire world around us," says Kilby. "Re-connecting the Christian religion today with that of the first century and mid-evil times where we weren't disconnected from the earth is the goal."

Fox worries that religion is no longer giving people reason to celebrate and connect with others. "If religion is not delivering highs, it has nothing to offer. It should go out of business. Let the dead bury the dead. We only have so much time as a species, and there's such a thing as impatience. We must move from religion to spirituality."

The afternoon was divided into several workshops where people could "express creativity," something Fox calls human's greatest strength and what will "save our species."

Fox is most famous for beginning the "Protestant Reformation" last year in Germany when he created his own 95 theses and nailed them to the wall of the Wittenburg church.

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Residents irked by missing census forms

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form on his computer but that option isn't available to him. Instead he called the toll-free Census help-line.

That, however, was a frustrating experience and Weinhold is still not sure if he's going to be given a form to fill out. He also called MP Barry Devolin's office but got lost in the maze of "press one for" options. For him, enough was enough.

"They say that if you don't fill it out you can be charged," he says. "Well, if they're going to make it a law they should be sure you get the form. It's not my responsibility.

"How can they charge you with not filling the form if they

don't give it to you?"

Jamie Schmale, Devolin's riding assistant, says the MP's office has received few calls from people who didn't receive the forms.

"There were a few people here and there who were having trouble inputting their user code [on the on-line service] but we were able to help them," Schmale says.

Otherwise the office receives complaints and passes them on to Census Canada.

Under the Census protocol, enumerators visit each and every residential building in a certain area. If no one answers the knock on the door, the enumerator leaves the Census form.

People are to fill out the form based on where they are on May 16. If they're at their home in Toronto on May 16, they fill it out based on that location. If they're at their cottage in the Highlands on May 16, they fill it out based on that location. The deadline for filling out the forms was last Friday.

On the long weekend, enumerators were out on the road again, going to each household they visited when handing out the forms. If the forms have not been picked up, enumerators will try to contact neighbours to see if the householder is ill or absent.

Meanwhile, Census Canada says it is not too late to send in the forms. If you have not received yours, call 1 877-594-2006 or go to www.census2006.ca.

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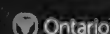
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Information outlining the proposed fees will be available at no charge from the Municipal Office, 7 Milne Street, Minden or on the Township's website, www.minden.on.ca

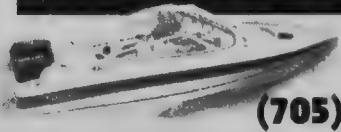
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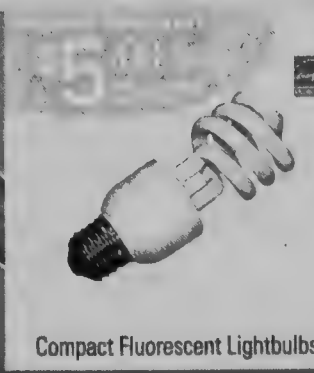
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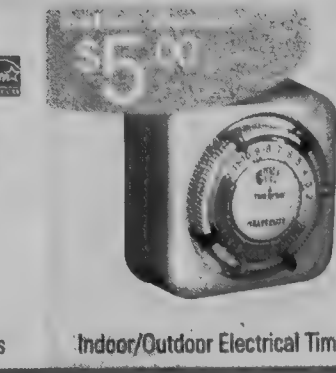
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Burnt River Shoreline to get 'naturalized' with a little help from Shell

Thousands of Canadians continue to take personal action to improve and protect the Canadian environment. From conservation projects to community clean ups, wildlife rehabilitation, educational initiatives and recycling projects, Shell Canada recognizes the need for financial assistance to help these Canadians to turn their environment ideas into action.

Kawartha Conservation recently received \$6,000 from the Shell Environmental Fund to complete shoreline naturalization projects, of which \$3,000 will go towards the Shoreline Naturalization Project at Austin Sawmill Park in Kinmount. The other \$3,000 will be used at a demonstration site in Port Perry. This is the third year Shell has provided grants for projects within Kawartha Conservation's shoreline naturalization program.

The Austin Sawmill project will naturalize several metres of shoreline along the banks of the Burnt River.

It is the seventh demonstration site to be undertaken within the Kawartha watershed. The sites enable the community to learn about shoreline naturalization while participating in or even just observing the project's progress.

"The Austin Sawmill Shoreline will improve water quality and fish habitat, control erosion, and attract birds, butterflies and other wildlife," says Kristie Virgoe, manager of environmental protection and restoration with Kawartha Conservation. "This is a real community effort. Local school children will be a great help; they're going to be proud of this project."

Created in 1990, the Shell Environment Fund is a national program intended to make a local difference. Millions of dollars have been granted to various innovative environmental projects across the country. Individuals, schools, community associations, service clubs and environmental groups have used the grants of up to \$5,000 per project to improve and protect their environment.

To learn more about the Austin Sawmill Park Shoreline Naturalization Project visit www.kawarthaconservation.com.

Kawartha Conservation is a watershed-based environmental organization focused on providing abundant clean water within a healthy landscape. It is one of 36 conservation authorities in Ontario providing natural resources management.



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Landlords can benefit from low-income housing project

Landlords are being encouraged to take part in the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program.

The program, launched last year to help create affordable housing for lower-income households, allocated funding of \$432,000 for a minimum of 30 units for the City of Kawartha Lakes and the County of Haliburton. Three of the 30 units will be used for victims of domestic violence.

"We are currently looking for landlords to offer units under the program," says Hope Lee, manager of housing. "The units must rent for average market rent or less, be modest and self-contained, meet health and safety standards, and be vacant."

Hostels, group homes, congregational living arrangements and nursing homes are not eligible. A unit within a land-

lord's home will be accepted as long as it is self-contained.

"Landlords will be selected through an expression of interest using the program criteria," says Lee. "The deadline is May 30."

Tenants who are eligible for the program can also seek their own accommodation and landlord. Eligible applicants will be given a letter they can show prospective landlords to demonstrate that they have been given approval under the program.

Applicants must be on or eligible to be on the social housing wait list in order to participate in the program.

For more information on the Affordable Housing Program please contact Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing at 705-324-6401 or 1-888-822-2225.

Busy weekend for OPP

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment were kept busy over the long weekend answering 96 calls for service from Friday, May 19 until Monday, May 22.

The officers responded to a variety of occurrences ranging from motor vehicle collisions to break and enters.

The officers arrested the driver of a vehicle for impaired driving after stopping his vehicle while conducting a R.I.D.E. Check on County Rd 21 in Minden Hills on Sunday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m..

Four people were also arrested Saturday night at the South Lake Trailer Park.

The four were charged with being intoxicated in a public place, taken back to the Haliburton Highlands detachment and later released.

Several break and enters were reported in various areas of the county. Some had occurred over the winter while some had occurred within the last few weeks.

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Speaking of weather, for gardeners and solar power enthusiasts alike page 16 of the latest *Harrowsmith Country Life* lists "The 50 Sunniest Places in Canada". Based on Environment Canada's findings of the average number of hours of sunlight per year, top marks went to Medicine Hat, Alberta with 2,512 hours. Prairie provinces took 15 of the top 17 locations with an Ontario city finally listed at #18: Thunder Bay clocked in 2167 hours. But enough, duty calls. In the adjacent "Over the Fence" column, the #1 helpful hint from a reader in Westbank, B.C. suggests that to keep newly-returned barn swallows from nesting again on the outside of the old farmhouse I just need to tape an inflated balloon onto any likely site. Better wait though until two-year-old grandson Ben heads home to Goodwood. Dinner tonight was made all the livelier as the highchair's occupant relived his first fireworks display repeatedly throwing his arms up and shouting "boom!"



The new Kinmount legion executives are: Front row, left to right: Third vice-president Brian Ferguson, second vice-president Ruth Colpitts, first vice-president George Berry, president John Deak, past president Joe McNamara, secretary Bernice Owens, treasurer Cathy King. Back row: executive Joe Kelly, sergeant at arms Joan Simmons, executive Maureen Jones, executive Hillary Kelly, executive Alice Parker, executive Kathy Puterbaugh, and executive Mary-Lou Bales.

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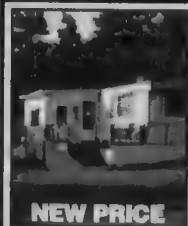
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Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

May 15 euchre at Club 35: Leroy Mowat was double lucky winning for both lone hands and the bologna. High scores were recorded by Barb Robitaille and Ivan Kernohan with Kay Morrison and Perry Morrison taking the lows. My apologies to Marion Farr for the delay in reporting these scores.

May 16 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: In first at 395 was the duo of Laura Carnegie and Connie Sawyer followed by Andy Boivin and Marj Hamilton 363 and Cliff Davison partnered with Sandy Poulton 305. The afternoon's low of 143 went to Helen Skelding and Doug Burch. This brings to an end the winter shuffleboard season so my thanks to Pearl Cowen for her faithful reporting and congratulations to Laura Carnegie who had the top total score for the season of 7,643 points.

May 16 euchre at Gelert Community Centre: Lone hand honours went to Don Hicks with Emily and Harold Harvie high lady/man. Gene Newell and Isabelle Saunders had the evening's lows while Hazel Benetin won the draw.

May 16 contract bridge at Stanhope: Joan and Ross Davies took the afternoon's only Slam with Harold Cox topping the scoring at 6250. In second spot was Gloria Moore 5930 then Ross Davies 5580 and Ray Moore 5400. Diana Spicer won the lucky draw, Margo Davidson the Shiny Penny and for Harold Cox it was the "H.R." Award for his continuing "Highway Robbery".

May 17 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: In North/South Diana Spicer and Muriel McIntosh were first at 56% then Margo Davidson partnered with Vange Croucher at 53%. Over in East/West Joan Galley and Norma Crewson were tops at 62% with Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf second at 57%.

May 17 Kinmount Seniors euchre at Kinmount Legion: For the ladies Marcy Morgan was high and Marg Viney

low while for the gents our reporter Theresa Deak was high and Romeo Paradis low. Pauline Franzen won for lone hands and Harold Harvie took the draw prize.

May 17 bid euchre at Stanhope: Moonshots landed on Pearl Cowen, Helen Henderson, Stan Walters, Vicki Carr, Margaret Bull, Jack Cox and Jean Dutka. Jean Dutka led the pinks at 321 then Barb Robitaille 273 and Belle Walker 263 while Don Burch was first for the whites at 281, Leroy Mowat 278 second and Gala Stamp 243 third.

May 18 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Verna McDonald and Linda Hopkins with Shirley Howe and Bob Cleverly recording the high scores. Second high slots were filled by Pearl Cowen and Don Hicks with Margaret Fletcher, Leroy Mowat, John Mallon, Bob Pollard and Verna McDonald winning the other prizes.

May 19 bid euchre at Club 35: Moonshots went to Dick Coffey, Helen Cassidy, Helen Henderson and Verna McDonald with Leroy Mowat taking two. At 292 Vicki Campagnolo led the pinks followed by Pearl Cowen 286 and Marnie Butler 241. For the whites Chris Clarke was first at 300 then Dick Coffey 272 and David Lamb 250 while Linda Voicey had the hidden score.

May 19 contract bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system Reet Murray and Bill Sandford were first at 65%, Stella McMillan and Diana Spicer second at 61% and Margo Davidson partnered with Vange Croucher third at 55%.



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May 20 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Theresa Deak [2], Dorothy Walters and Pearl Cowen took the moonshots with Isobel Cherwenka, Margaret Fletcher and our reporter Gala Stamp winning the draws. Dorothy Walters topped the pinks at 272 with Pauline Franzen next at 269 and Emily Harvie 259 third. At 288 Pearl Cowen was first for the whites then Stan Walters 234 and Dorothy McElwain 233.

May 22 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Roger Fournier led the high scores with Les Roberson second and Mildred St. Thomas third. Pauline Franzen had the single moonshot and Sam Gaudet won the draw.

May 22 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Winning for high hands was Diane Peacock, for lone hands Murray Daniels, for low hands Perry Peacock and for the special prize Verna McDonald.

May 22 euchre at Club 35: Luck was with the Davison family with Cliff winning for lone hands and Colleen for high lady. The Kernohans were triple prize winners with Pearl taking low lady and Ivan high man and the bologna. Paul Rutledge completed the list with the low man score.

May 22 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Pearl Cowen and Laura Carnegie while Jeanne Keliele and Jesse Barlow recorded the high scores. Julie Keberer and Kay Naylor had the afternoon's lows. Julie also won a special prize along with Doreen and Bill Mosley entertained a certain striped visitor.

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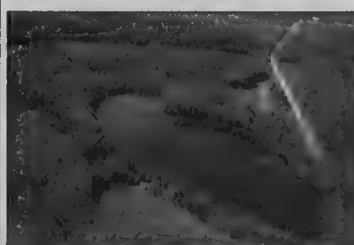
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Once students are registered they can connect with a teacher, in real time. Using

text and a virtual whiteboard, teachers are able to explain formulas and help students solve problems in a way that is clear and concise.

"For students who may not have access to a private tutor, and for parents who are unable to help, Ask a Teacher is a valuable service that offers coaching for students who may encounter difficulties when preparing for the test," says Sarah Irwin, managing director, ILC.

In addition to the chat, Ask a Teacher also features interactive practice questions, exercises and a Super Glossary of terms in math, science, and English. Anytime day or night students can visit the site and access these resources.

The ILC is a division of TVOntario, and is funded by the Ministry of Education. Visit ILC's website at www.ilc.org.

Stress? Learn to laugh it away

Employers and their staff who want to find ways to boost innovation and cope with everyday stress can get some help at an upcoming workshop. Part entertainment, part enlightenment, the workshop features two dynamic speakers who will mix learning and laughter:

The Brain Booster/Stress Buster Workplace Wellness Workshop is Tuesday, June 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hyland Crest auditorium.

The event features:

- 'Train Your Brain' presented by

award-winning educator and acclaimed "brain trainer" Brian Thwaites. The session offers ideas for people to enhance their learning potential and try new approaches to cope with life.

- 'Stress is Funny' presented by renowned speaker, humourist and author Tricia Hasenclever. The session will use a lighter approach to relieving stress.

The cost is \$25 per person (includes lunch, refreshments and door prizes). Register by May 26 by calling 1-866-888-4577.

The City of Kawartha Lakes is seeking vacant rental units for low-income households within the City of Kawartha Lakes or the County of Haliburton.

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The Housing Allowance component of the AHP provides access to affordable housing in rental markets with high vacancy rates. Applications are available for pick up from the City of Kawartha Lakes Purchasing Division located at 26 Francis Street Lindsay, ON, or by calling 705-324-9411 ext. 875. Business hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All complete applications should be received by the Purchasing office returned sealed in an envelope clearly marked as to contents NOT LATER THAN 11:00:00 O'CLOCK A.M. LOCAL TIME:

TUESDAY, MAY 30TH, 2006

For addition information on the program contact:
Hope Lee, Manager of Housing
705-324-6401 ext. 102
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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday June 12th, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1. File No. H-006/06, H-007/06, H-008/06 & H-009/06
Applicant: T. T. LAND CO. INC.
Location of the Property: Pt Lots 3 & 4, Concession A, Geographic Township of Snowdon
Nature of the Application: 4 New Lots & Rights-of-way
2. File No. H-020/06
Applicant: Estate of Eileen DANIEL
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
3. File No. H-021/06
Applicant: Estate of Eileen DANIEL
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
4. File No. H-022/06
Applicant: Ian DANIEL
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
5. File No. H-023/06
Applicant: Ian & Jessica DANIEL
Location of the Property: Pt Lots 3 & 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
6. File No. H-024/06
Applicant: Ian DANIEL
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 4, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
7. File No. H-039/06
Applicant: William HATCH
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 11, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 24th day of May, 2006.

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Poet launches book in Minden



STANHOPE LIFE

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I am pleased to announce the launch of Brenda Peddigrew's first book of poetry at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. *When the Bones Find Their Singing Place* is the culmination of 10 years of reflection.

Peddigrew, world-renowned writer, teacher and facilitator, decided in 2003 that the pace of her life had to slow down. Living in the city and constantly travelling to the U.S., Ireland and other places such as Peru, she said, "My energy and focus had a very broad spectrum. It was time for a change."

Peddigrew was a facilitator by contract and also spent time training other facilitators. It's a familiar story. An artist with her choice of locations around the world chooses to settle in Haliburton County, more specifically Stanhope.

Peddigrew is now delighted to be able to work where she lives, although occasional travel is still a necessity. She teaches online classes for the University of Alberta with 18 students from across Canada. "It's an astounding thing to be dealing with people from January until April online. In April, I fly to Alberta for one week to meet with the students and faculty face to face and to integrate the course work." She is also currently working with her PhD dissertation, turning it into a readable book.

The launch of *When The Bones Find Their Singing Place* will be held on Saturday, June 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Peddigrew will read a selection of her poetry, followed by a musical interlude

featuring the OutLoud Womyn's Voices singing selections which echo the spirit of the book.

As her publisher says, "Brenda's poems are about Love. Not romantic Love, not the Love in songs and movies and the 'can't do without you' Love. The Love in these poems is the Love in the universe, the song of nature, the force that goes on creating and unfolding unexpected gifts and powers. The Love in these poems is ordinary and it is beyond comprehension, a recognition of mirrors and chasms, a Love that streams all around us, inviting us back to ourselves, to the deep truth of being cradled by the soft and terrifying universe from which we are born and to which we return. This collection is a journey in search of and finding that Love. It was written over a period of ten years and ended when 'the Singing Place' was found."

This event is sponsored by the writer in residence program for the cultural centre with arrangements made by yours truly. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided by Franka's Delectables.

The Haliburton Highlands Water Trails (HHWT) will celebrate its grand opening on Saturday, June 3 from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.. The event is being held at the Water Trails office, 20130 Hwy. 35, beside the Leslie Frost Centre.

Guests will have the opportunity to meet members of council, committee and staff, while viewing onsite facilities and information displays. Food and refreshments will be available. Activities planned include ribbon cutting to the Water Trails office and sign kiosks, appreciation awards and a thank you to supporters of the Water Trails.

For further information, contact Mark Coleman at 705-489-2379, e-mail TheHHWT@aol.com or visit the



Local poet (and winter enthusiast) Brenda Peddigrew has written *When the Bones Find their Singing Place*, which will be launched June 10.

website at www.algonquinhighlands.ca/water The Board of Directors of the Kushog Lake Property Owners Association is pleased to announce its upcoming annual general meeting. It will take place on Saturday June 3, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Club 35, on Highway 35 at Halls Lake. The guest speaker will be Bev Clark, co-ordinator, Ministry of Environment Lake Partner Program, Dorset Environmental Science Centre. Kushog Lake property owners and KLPOA members, should make every effort to attend.

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Work has begun on the next issue of our Dorset newsletter, "The Drainpipe". This issue will cover the months July, August and September. Any groups wishing to include activities or information in the newsletter should contact Melissa at the Dorset Recreation Centre on

Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays between 9 and 5 p.m. by calling 766-9968 or sending an email to drc@vianet.on.ca. The cost to be in one issue is \$20 to help with printing and postage.

St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church summer service time begins on Sunday, May 21. Service time will be 11 a.m. and all are welcome to attend.

There will be a Creative Memories scrapbooking workshop with Ruth Lynch, Dorset's own Creative Memories consultant. Come for the day, half day, evening or all day AND evening! The date is Thursday, May 25 at the Dorset Recreation Centre and the times are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The all day fee is \$25.00, which includes a light lunch, snacks and beverages. The half day option / evening fee is \$15 and the Day and Evening fee for 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. is \$30. Reserve your space today by calling Ruth at 705-766-1148 or the Dorset Rec Centre at 705-766-9968.

There will be an interment ceremony at Dorset, Paint Cemetery for Hazel Sears on Saturday, May 27th at 10:30 a.m.. Hazel had been a resident of Dorset since 1945.

Allie Chisholm-Smith from Ahimsa - The Yoga Room in Huntsville is coming to Dorset to teach yoga suitable for all levels for the five Fridays in June. To pre-

register call the Recreation Centre at 705-766-9968. The five classes will be free so that people can come out and try yoga although donations would be greatly appreciated to support programs like this.

Help wanted! The Dorset Heritage Museum and Tourist Information Centre require summer help from June 5 to September 1 (13 weeks) to work a 30-hour week Wednesday to Sunday. Applicants should have knowledge of the Dorset area and interest in the Heritage

Museum. Please send resumes to Dorset Heritage Museum, P. O. Box 84, Dorset, Ontario, POA 1E0.

The Dorset Heritage Museum is

looking for antique vendors for an exciting one-day event held on Saturday, July 15. If you are an interested vendor, please call 705-766-2814 for more information.

Whether you want to learn more about the night sky or to also predict your future, the Haliburton County Public Library has new books to further your knowledge of astronomy and astrology.

Astronomy is concerned with the observation of the motions of heavenly bodies, and reduces to mathematical order these observations. Astrology is the study of the effects the movements of these celestial bodies have on human affairs. In the beginning,

Astronomy was largely used to predict weather patterns and the best time for sowing and planting crops. Later, these orbs of moving light, the planets, were believed to be gods, and the subsequent quest for divine knowledge was probably the beginning of astrology.

Reach for the stars at your library!

Birthday wishes for the week of May 21 to 27 go out to Dave Moeller, Shirley Mackay, Feam Avery, Heather Roberts, Yvette Black and Happy Anniversary to Jim and Janice Jones and Bill and Lorna Rawlins.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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MINDEN ONTARIO

- **Now until June 6:** Rails End Gallery - Local artist Karen Sloan featured at the gallery. 457-2330.
- **May 25:** Do you have a child starting Kindergarten this fall? Join the Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton for our Annual Kindergarten Visit Day. There will be a School Bus Safety presentation by Laidlaw Bus Lines starting at 8:45 a.m. We board the bus at 9:30 a.m. for a trip to Stuart Baker E.S. for a tour and to meet the Kindergarten teachers and other students. We will return to OEYC at 10:30 a.m. Sign up in advance by calling 457-2989. If you have younger children please ask us about childcare.
- **May 26:** Birds in your Woodlot. Stewardship Series, cost includes lunch & field trip. Kinark Outdoor Centre. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Call 286-5206.
- **May 27:** Puppetmongers - Puppetry show presented at Northern Lights Pavilion by Rails End Gallery 457-2330.
- **May 27:** Dorset Volunteer Fire Department Annual Pig Roast. Dorset. Contact: 766-9968.
- **May 27:** Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre presents: The Puppetmongers 'Walidat the Grass Cutter' at the Northern Lights Theatre, Sat., May 27th at 3:30 p.m. A story about the difference between wealth and peace of mind comes from a collection of folk tales told in the Near and Middle East. The story is told using hand carved wooden marionettes. Tickets avail. at the gallery, 457-2330.
- **May 27:** IGA and Scotia Bank in Wilberforce are having a Yard Sale for The Cure, start time is 8 a.m. and all the proceeds are going to breast cancer research. It will be in the IGA parking lot in Wilberforce.
- **May 27:** Free Gardening seminars 10 a.m. every Sat. until July 30. Companion Planting: Gearing up the Veggie Patch. How to plant veggies and herbs that complement one another and eliminate the need for pesticides, 1765 Essonville Line, Wilberforce at Nature Girl Nursery. Follow Hwy. 118 East from Haliburton to Essonville Line. No registration required.
- **May 27 & 28:** Shifting Gears - Haliburton's Celebration of Cycling. Festival Location: Head Lake Park, Haliburton Village, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Featuring: Bike Demos, Guided road rides, Trail rides, Bike Maintenance Workshops, Helmet fitting and more! For more info. contact Sue or Angela at the HKPR District Health Unit at 457-1391.
- **May 27 & 28:** Get it OFF the Wall! Art Sale - Agnes Jamieson Gallery. You set the price...you get the sale. Tired of the old? Buy something new! Bring in your old art and then buy something new. For more information call 286-3763.
- **May 31:** David Francey - Presented by The Haliburton County Folk Society, 8 p.m. For more info. Call 754-FOLK. Email: hcfssociety@gmail.com
- **May 31, June 9, 14 & 21:** Crochet with other women at the Haliburton Hospital from 2-4 p.m. Materials and instruction provided. Free! No experience necessary. For details call Diana: 286-6442 or Joelle: 286-4040. Hosted by the YWCA.
- **June 1:** Exhibition - Works of Art by the late Ethel Curry at The Ethel Curry Gallery in Haliburton. 457-9687. Free.
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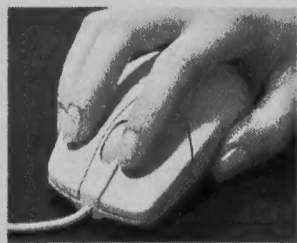
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CALVER, Dorothy Laurel (nee Hounsell)

Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, in her 82nd year.

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Cremation has taken place. Friends are invited to join the family for a Memorial Service at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Haliburton #1017 Wigamog Rd., (County Rd. #21 and the Old Airport Rd) on Saturday, May 27, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.. Memorial Donations to the Watch Tower in support of their Worldwide Work would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 or on line at (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com)

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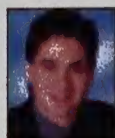


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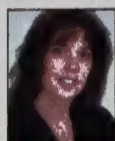


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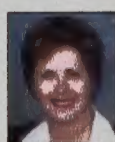


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Building Lot: Nicely treed lot located close to the town of Haliburton. 1.6 acres, 208 ft fge in area of nice homes. South-east exposure, driveway installed. Call Linda Baumgartner



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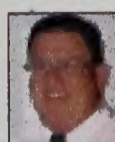


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Located minutes from the town of Haliburton. This 3 bdrm home/cottage sits close to the shoreline of Bonham Lake. The cottage is full of old country charm with wood interior. Call Geoff Bunn

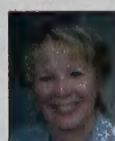


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Hunter Creek Estates: Quiet, priv. & spacious 2 bdrm home with 2 baths. Nicely treed, lg back yard, bright open concept living room/kit area, det. garage. Immediate possession. Value priced. Call Fred Chapple

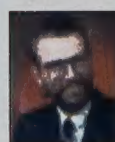


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\$144,900

Value Plus! Affordable 3 bdrm. winterized lakefront cottage w/a beautiful hillside southern exposure, good shoreline, privacy from neighbours, yr md municipal road access, only 1 km. from big lake boat access on Muskabi. Great starter property - don't wait to call. Call Deb Deremo

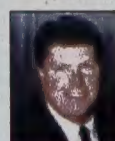


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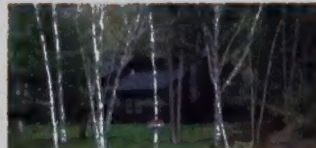


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3 bdrm. WF home on Dark Lake in Wilberforce featuring country kitchen, FR with w/o, 2 lg baths, huge split level master bdrm with w/o to deck & sunporch overlooking the lake, finished rec room w/bar & 2 car garage. Call Vince Duchene



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\$188,500

Minden Bungalow: Immaculate throughout! This extremely well built & very well kept 3 bdrm home features a spacious country kitchen, stone FP, 2 baths incl. an ensuite, att. garage/workshop & much more, on a nicely landscaped 1 acre lot. Includes 5 appl. & central fav. A must see! Many upgrades! Value priced at \$188,500. Call Bill Kulas today.

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